



Senator Jimmy Holley (second from left) poses with supporters prior to his formal announcement last Thursday evening, Jan. 10, in Enterprise that he has switched to the Republican Party.



Alabama Attorney General Troy King (R), an Elba native, introduced Senator Jimmy Holley during the event planned for Holley to announce his switch to the Republican Party.

Obituary

MATTIE LEE HARLOW REDD

Mrs. Mattie Lee Harlow Redd, age 91, of Enterprise, Ala., and formerly of Dallas, Texas, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2008 in Enterprise.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, 2008, at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church with Reverends Charles McGlothlen and Sam Williams officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery with Sorrells Funeral Home of Enterprise directing. The body will be placed into the church one hour prior to the service. The family will receive friends at Wesley Chapel Thursday evening from 6 until 8 p.m.

Mrs. Redd was born January 14, 1917 in Texas to the late Charlie Robert and Millie Lee Harlow. In addition to her parents, her husband, Marvin E. Redd, a granddaughter, Suzanne Lee Redd, a son-in-law, Royce Griswold, and a sister, Thelma Owen preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons: Troy Redd (wife Faye), Abba, Texas and Rev. Billy Redd (wife Sue), Elba, Ala.; one daughter: Alta Faye Griswold, Enterprise; her brother: Charles Harlow (wife Olita), McKinney, Texas; eight grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

SCALE—

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syndrome of losing and then regaining weight," said Dr. Donald Williamson, state health officer. "After a few of these attempts, the person can sometimes be heavier than when he/she first started. We hope the Scale Back Alabama program will help people to increase their activity level, reduce their total number of calories and adopt behaviors that promote healthy eating."

In 2007, more than 20,000 Alabamians in 46 counties participated in Scale Back Alabama. They reportedly lost a total of 78,000 pounds.

The official weigh-in for participants that weighed-in last Friday at Elba General Hospital will be Friday, March 14, from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Reminder:

The Elba Rotary Club continues to sell tickets on a chance to win a 2005 Hyundai Accent, donated by Mitchell Auto Dealerships of Enterprise, Ala.

All proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the soon-to-be under construction Elba Habitat for Humanity House. The winning ticket will be announced during the groundbreaking ceremony Sunday, Jan. 27, at 2 p.m., for the Habitat House.

Tickets can be purchased from Elba Rotary Club members and Elba Chamber of Commerce board members. Also, tickets are available at the Chamber office and several Elba businesses.

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Explosive device found at residence on County Road 515 near New Brockton

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The discovery of an explosive device at a residence on Coffee County Road 515 near New Brockton last Thursday afternoon, Jan. 17, gained the immediate attention of law enforcement officials.

Coffee County Sheriff's Department Investigator Neal Bradley first discovered the device when he went to the residence with the initial purpose of "questions about a burglary."

Bradley said he first went to the residence on Wednesday, Jan. 16, but was unable to locate anyone at home. He returned on Thursday afternoon, and that is when he discovered the explosive device connected to the back door.

Coffee County Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth said the front door of the residence was

screwed together in a manner that would force a person to go to the back door to enter the home.

While at the back door last Thursday, Inv. Bradley said he noticed several suspicious things about the door that led him to discover the device. First, he said he noticed the door was not secure. Next, he noticed tape around the door that he said was not there the day before

when he was at the residence. Bradley credited his training in helping him be able to identify the danger in the situation and locate the explosive device before any harm was done.

"It's pretty visible once you get to looking," said Bradley in regards to the device. After identifying the explosive, Inv. Bradley said the Dothan bomb squad was contacted, and they "took down" the device. According to Bradley, the "booby-trap" explosive was made from a standard light bulb.

Officials said a small hole was drilled in the light bulb to allow for it to be filled with a flammable liquid. Once the liquid was in the bulb, the hole was covered and the light bulb was put back in the light socket.

If the light had been turned on, Inv. Bradley said the electricity would have caused the device to explode.

Officials said Thursday they were not sure if the device was intended for law enforcement officials, or if it was intended for the homeowner. The investigation does, however, continue into this incident.



An investigator with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department discovered last Thursday afternoon, Jan. 17, an explosive device set up as a "booby-trap" connected to the back door of this residence on County Road 515 near New Brockton. Investigator Neal Bradley initially went to the residence regarding questions about a burglary but instead found an explosive device attached to the back door.

Town of New Brockton to receive \$25,000 grant for law enforcement

The Town of New Brockton will receive a \$25,000 grant to provide resources for law enforcement officials.

Representative Terry Spicer (D-Elba) said the grant is welcome news to the growing town. "Our law enforcement officers work hard, and with very tight budgets. This grant is great news for New Brockton and our community, and I know that they will be able to put this money to good use," said Spicer.

The town of New Brockton has grown substantially in recent years with the addition of many new neighborhoods. The grant will provide state funds to purchase items to help reduce crime and provide additional safety for officers.

"This grant is one step forward in our efforts to promote public safety," said Spicer. "It's important to do everything possible to help those who work to protect us and make our towns safer."

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs will administer the grant.

Coffee County Sheriff's Department officials seize large amount of marijuana

by Linda Hodge, Editor

A routine driver's license checkpoint conducted last Friday evening, Jan. 18, led the Coffee County Sheriff's Department to one of the largest drug busts in the county in recent years.

Coffee County Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth said the sheriff's department was conducting a driver's license checkpoint on Alabama Highway 125 near the Victoria community last Friday evening when they detected the odor of marijuana coming from a vehicle stopped at the checkpoint. He said deputies searched the vehicle and discovered a handgun and a one-gallon Ziploc bag containing approximately one-pound of marijuana.

Whitworth said the deputies seized from the vehicle a 357 pistol and the bag of marijuana. The three individuals traveling in the vehicle were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, first degree.

The three individuals arrested on scene were Monroe Williams, age 26, of Brundidge, Ala.; De'Monda Dallas Siler, age 30, of Chicago, Ill.; and Charles E. Brooks Jr., age 36, also of Chicago.

After questioning the driver of the vehicle, Whitworth said the sheriff's office applied for and obtained a search warrant for the residence of suspect Monroe Williams, located on Coffee County Road 109 in the Roton community. Investigators and deputies

searched the residence and allegedly found additional items for seizure.

This was the biggest bust found in a long time as far as drugs and money," said Investigator Neal Bradley.

At the residence, Whitworth said an additional five-pounds of marijuana was recovered along with over \$5,000 in currency, two handguns and additional drug paraphernalia. As a result, Monroe Williams faced an additional charge of trafficking in marijuana. Bond was set at \$510,000.

Whitworth spoke highly of the deputies and investigators involved with this case and said they all did a "very nice job." The estimated street value of the approximate six-pounds of

marijuana seized from both the vehicle (1 pound) and residence (5 pounds) was about \$1,000 per pound, according to officials.

On Tuesday of this week, Whitworth said the sheriff's office also was filing seizures on three automobiles connected with this case.



Investigators and deputies with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department seized more than \$5,000 in currency, three handguns and approximately six-pounds of marijuana from a vehicle and residence Friday evening, Jan. 18. Officials said this was one of the biggest drug busts in Coffee County in recent years.



REMEMBERING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. Despite freezing temperatures, a crowd of more than 40 people gathered Monday morning, Jan. 21, in New Brockton to participate in an annual event of commemoration. Joining many others across the nation, the residents remembered and honored the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the day earmarked for him. The day's events began with a youth program at the old Warren Smith School in New Brockton. This was followed by the annual "walk of remembrance" through the Town of New Brockton from the old school site to Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church. At the church, a special service was conducted honoring the memory of the late Dr. King. Event organizers said Dr. King helped move the nation to a higher plateau when he led the civil rights movement, and his legacy is found not only in civil rights but also in moral and civic responsibility of uniting people of all backgrounds to act upon community concerns.

Area Happenings

ZION CHAPEL SCHOOLS WILL HOST A RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Thursday, Jan. 24, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. The community-wide goal is 100 units. Students age 16 must have parental permission.

THE MACHIS LOWER CREEK INDIAN TRIBE OF ALABAMA will hold a general membership meeting Sunday, Jan. 27, at 1 p.m. The meeting will be in the Coffee County Farm Center community room, 1065 East McKinstry Street, New Brockton, Ala. There will be a Pow Wow and a discussion on scholarships.

THERE WILL BE A PARENT/CONTESTANT ORIENTATION meeting for the Future Little Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Zion Chapel pageants on Thursday, Jan. 31, at 6 p.m. at the Zion Chapel High School Auditorium. Registration packets and additional parent information will be distributed at this meeting. Guidelines for the categories include: Future Little Miss (age 4 - kindergarten), Little Miss (must be in the first grade), Junior Miss (grades 7-10), and Miss (must be between the ages of 17 and 21 by Oct. 2008). The pageants, sponsored by Altrusa International Inc. of Jack, Ala., will be held Sunday, March 29. Call Jennifer at 897-2287 for more information.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Alabama Senator Wendell Mitchell, a long time key part of the Democratic majority in the Senate, sounded the alarm Friday on things to come in the next legislative session. Mitchell addressed a group of editors and publishers at a regional meeting of the Alabama Press Association in Greenville and cited his take on the issue. Mitchell told of receiving a lovely letter from Governor Bob Riley right after the first of the year in which the Governor wrote of how much he looked forward to having Mitchell back in Montgomery for the new session (in February). Mitchell continued by adding, "The letter expressed hopes for bi-partisan work and a fruitful session." In his quite way Mitchell then said, "So imagine my surprise when I read in the Mobile Press-Register that he plans to take Democrats down." The story he referred to was published last Wednesday and stated Riley, in his role as chairman of the new GOP fundraising campaign, will help Republicans take control of the legislature in 2010, but first the state GOP must raise \$7 million. "If we do that, mark it down," Riley reportedly told a group of Press-Register reporters and editors. "We're going to take them." Mitchell added while shaking his head, "So in one hand I have this letter telling me how great it will be to have me back and on the other hand we have him saying he'll get us removed."

Already we predict another battle in Montgomery and very little accomplished. Unsuspecting visitors to the State Capitol while the legislature is in session this year might be well advised to wear a good bullet proof jacket. Well, at least keep your back to the wall and be aware of where the nearest exit is located. We would never survive as one of those lawmakers, either in Montgomery or in Washington. Party associations are fine but need to be set aside when the business of the people is at stake. It is amazing that the United States has survived this long because such bickering has been around throughout our country's history. Sometimes it is worse than others but the common thread seems to be, "if your party is for it, I am against it." At times an extremely strong governor or president can overcome such thinking, but far too often the "party first" mentality prevails. An example of the party first is the recent attack on a Democratic candidate for president because he said something nice about the late American president, Ronald Reagan (a Republican). Shame, shame.

Alabama is getting some much needed rain this month. The amazing thing about our dry conditions of 2007 is that official records show last year was wetter than 2006! Data collected by the Choctawhatchee, Per, Yellow River Watershed Authority give monthly comparisons for each month during 2006 and 2007 and the 12 month totals for each year. They check this at 17 locations from near Eufaula to the Yellow River in Covington County. The difference in the Elba rain gauge for the two years was slightly over ten inches! The same holds true at most of the sites. Only several in the Eastern part of the district showed lower differences. One in Barbour County did actually show less rain in 2007 than the previous year. However a Geneva County gauge racked up an additional 15 inches in 2007. Our scientific mind chalks up the appearance of less rain in 2007 to time of the year for the driest spells and the carryover deficit from 2006 which had to be refilled before any water was available for the ongoing needs.

Budget work will be harder in the 2008 Legislative Session

Guest Editorial by
Rep. Terry Spicer

The 2008 Legislative Session begins on February 5, and there is a lot of work to do before the opening gavel.

The most important thing the Alabama Legislature does every year is set the budgets for education and state agencies. How we use precious tax dollars maintaining and improving vital public services is the key issue for any lawmaker. While passing statutes is important, funding is always the critical issue. What good is a law if there are no resources to enforce and uphold it? What good is a program if there is no way to pay for it?

It looks like this year the state budgets will require a lot of work and tough decisions.

The Alabama state budget is divided into two categories: the Education Trust Fund and the General Fund. The Education Trust Fund pays for our K-12 schools, as well as our state colleges, universities, and two-year institutions. The General Fund pays for everything else, from prisons to the courts, Medicaid to public health, and all other state services.

As it turns out, the Education budget is the larger of the two—\$6.7 billion this year. Unlike most other states that rely mostly on local property taxes to pay for schools, Alabama pays for its public schools mostly through state sources. We have the lowest property taxes in the nation.

To pay for schools, we have earmarked the state income tax and the state sales tax to the Education Trust Fund. Deducting certain taxes to specific efforts lets folks know that their tax dollars are being spent wisely. Nobody likes paying taxes, but at least we know what exactly they are paying for.

And that investment in schools is paying off. Our test scores are up, and drop out rates

are down. In fact, Alabama elementary reading scores made the largest gains in the entire nation.

The state education budget had tremendous growth in recent years as the Alabama economy grew. More folks have more income taxes, they pay more income taxes, they buy more goods, and more money is generated for schools. The gains in achievement show that money has been well spent.

Yet for all the progress in education, there is still room for improvement. We still rank in the bottom 20 percent on what we spend per child. We are still behind other states in areas like special education, and science and math scores.

We must make sure that we continue to make gains in our schools, but that may just become a little more difficult.

All signs point to a slowing economy. As growth lessens, so do the taxes generated from economic growth. While the state education budget is set at \$6.7 billion, the tax revenue we'll generate this year now is projected at \$6.4 billion, a \$300 million shortfall.

In past years, when revenue fell short the state declared prudence in the middle of the year. This year we will not have to, because during high growth times we saved substantial funds in rainy day accounts. However, in order to make sure we don't continue to run short, we'll need to see where we can tighten our belts to get next year's budget closer to the now lower revenue projections.

The General Fund has no rainy day account, and has been the sickly sister to education in recent years. All non-education taxes, like Ad Valorem Taxes and the interest from the Alabama Trust Fund from the state's offshore oil and gas leases, are earmarked for the General Fund. However, these revenue sources have not grown as fast as income and sales taxes.

While revenues were flat, costs have risen dramatically for programs paid by the General Fund. The courts have ordered reduction in prison overcrowding, Medicaid and other health care costs have spiraled upward, and we've hired more state troopers and increased our child protection services.

The General Fund is under constant strain. There are some capital gains from the trust, and a few other sources we hope to put together to get a budget that will pay for these vital services next year.

Organizing and passing budgets are certainly some of the toughest work we have in any session. This year, with the economy unsettled, it may be one of the toughest years in recent memory.

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Funeral services were held Jan. 15, 2008 at Pleasant Shade Missionary Baptist Church, Enterprise, Ala., with Rev. Paul Grider officiating. Burial followed with Hammond Funeral Home, Elba, Ala., directing.

Mr. Covington was preceded in death by three sisters and three brothers.

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Obituaries

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EDDIE NELL (KELLEY) HUGHES

Mrs. Eddie Nell (Kelley) Hughes, age 83, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Jan. 19, 2008, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala. Funeral services were held Jan. 22, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Reverend Mike Medley officiating. Burial followed in the Pine Level Community Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Hughes was preceded in death by her husband, Paul R. Hughes; mother, Ella Kelley; father, Ed Kelley; daughter, Sharon Hutto; son, Craig Coleman; and grandson, Ricky Messick.

Survivors include three daughters: Sue Messick, Elba, Sandy (husband James) Ramchak, Prattville, Ala.; Lynn Hemdon, Waverly, Tenn.; one son: Mike Hughes, Waverly; one sister: Lois Smith Gilbert, Elba; eight grandsons: Jonas Messick, Rex Messick and Rusty Hutto, all of Elba, Ron Hutto, New Brockton, Ala.; Randy Edridge, Chris Edridge and Sean Ramchak, all of Prattville, Anthony Hughes, Waverly; one granddaughter: Jennifer Hughes, Waverly; and seven great-grandchildren.

DEBRA ANN HENDERSON CROSBY

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Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, January 14, 2008, investigated the following incidents: one for cruelty to an animal, one for domestic violence, one for harassment, two for theft of property, one for a missing person, three for criminal mischief, one for property damage, two for disorderly conduct, one for public intoxication, one for resisting arrest, one for attempting to destroy property and one for harassing communications.

The following arrests were made: two for burglary, one for failure to appear, one for forgery, one for negotiating a worthless non-negotiable instrument, two for disorderly conduct, one for public intoxication and one for resisting arrest.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: seven

for violation of the seat belt law, one for a revoked driver's license, one for no driver's license, one for a suspended driver's license, five for speeding, one for violation of a learner's permit restriction, one for the passenger side headlight out, one for a cancelled driver's license, one for running a stop sign and one for an expired tag.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:

MONDAY, JANUARY 14 – Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (9:31 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 – Coffee County EMS dispatched to 115 County Rd. 422 (8:45 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 32311 Hwy. 87 (9:05 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16 – Coffee County EMS dispatched to the Elba MarketPlace

(1:01 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17 – Wreck (vehicle vs. tree) reported next to the residence at 1656 Hwy. 166 (9:52 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck on Hwy. 166 (9:52 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the wreck on Hwy. 166 (9:52 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 62 County Rd. 418 (12:12 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 62 County Rd. 418 (12:56 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 615 Jackson (4:04 p.m.); Minor wreck (vehicle vs. deer) reported on Highland Dr. (7:42 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported on Powell Circle (8:41 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18 – Prowler reported at 209 Plant Ave. (2:45 a.m.); Wreck (vehicle vs. building) reported at the Dollar General Store (3:08 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 100 Beaver Dam Apts. (5:30 p.m.); Fight in progress reported on Parker St. (11:50 p.m.).

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In recognition of his valuable service as a member of the Board of Trustees of Medical Center Enterprise, Jimmy E. Jones has designated that a \$500.00 contribution be made on his behalf to the Habitat for Humanity. Jeff Brannon, Chief Executive Officer of Medical Center Enterprise, acknowledged Jones faithful service, leadership, vision, and support to Medical Center Enterprise over the past years. This donation in Jones honor, serves as a token of appreciation for services rendered. Following the March 1 disaster in Enterprise, Jeanine Roberts and the Habitat for Humanity organization have been instrumental in building homes for needy families. The organization currently has plans to build six homes in 2008. Jones stated that he "designated the donation to a most deserving organization that is working tirelessly in rebuilding our community." According to the donation are Billy Cotter and Jeanine Roberts, Habitat Board Members. For more information on Habitat for Humanity, to volunteer or to donate, call Jeanine Roberts 313-8885.

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Raymond and Edna Duncan

Duncan's to celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Raymond and Edna Duncan will celebrate their 50th anniversary on February 2, 2008 at Shiloh Baptist Church beginning from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Hosts of the 50th Wedding Anniversary are their children and families. Children are Ronnie Duncan and wife, Deirdre Qualls Duncan and Brenda Dun. Edna and husband, Kenny Moore. Grandchildren include: Angela Duncan McFarland and husband Thomas McFarland Jr. and step-grandchild Kyle Spivey. Great-grandchildren include: Alyssa Nevaeh McFarland and Step great-grandchild Braxton Spivey.

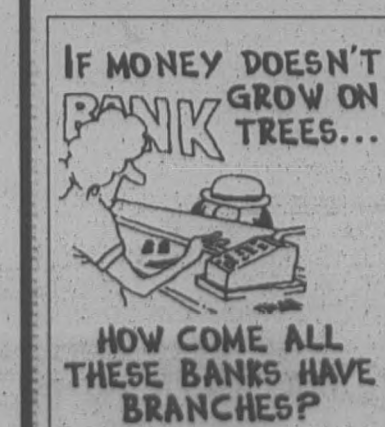
Area residents named to Samford Dean's List

Many area residents were named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Samford University. They include: Casey M. Medlock of Elba (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Medlock; Marilee L. Chambers, Giovanni Hernandez and Katie A. Riegle of Enterprise and Joshua A. Driver of Kinston.

To qualify for the honor, a student must have earned a minimum 3.5 grade-point average out of a possible 4.0 while attempting at least 12 credit hours of coursework.



ENTERPRISE-OZARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S 2008 HOMECOMING QUEEN AND COURT were presented during half-time of the men's basketball game against the Wallace Community College Saints. Pictured from left to right are James Berry of Kinston escorting a Student Government Association nominee Katlyn Revels of Samson, Stephen Addy of Enterprise escorting a basketball team's nominee Tina Horton of Slocumb, Duke Cary of Elba escorting a Student Government Association nominee and the 2008 Homecoming Queen Kendall Stinson of Elba, Jan Campbell of Enterprise escorting an Entertainers' nominee Jordan Hall of Slocumb, Bo Dykes of Hartford escorting a Mentors' nominee Megan Cole of Hartford, and Anthony Morris of Skipperville escorting a men's basketball team nominee Delores Bell of Elba.



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LBW Community College announces fall 2007 semester honor students

Dr. Edward Meadows, LBW Community College president, has announced academic honor students for the 2007 Fall Semester. A total of 80 students were named to the President's List and 147 students were named to the Dean's List. To qualify for these distinctions, students must be enrolled on a full-time basis and post a 3.5-3.99 (B+) grade point average to qualify for the Dean's List, and a 4.0 (A) grade point average to qualify for the President's List. The follow students from Coffee County received honors distinctions:

President's List Coffee County
Kinston - Bradford Clay Farris, Madison Casey Mack, Bonnie S. Mitchell
New Brockton - Deana Nicole Farris



Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church

UDC celebrates Christmas with a party at Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church

The General Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy celebrated Christmas with a party at the historic Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church near Elba, AL. The church was established in 1849 and has recently been refurbished. Cathy Odum, a UDC member and member of



Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Carl Gibes II

Gibes-Newman wedding held Saturday, November 3rd

Erica Dawn Newman and Ronald Carl Gibes II were united in marriage on Saturday, November 3, at 4:30 p.m. at Damascus Baptist Church.

The Rev. Ralph Medley officiated the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lunsford of New Brockton and Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Newman of Elba. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Danford of New Brockton, Ms. June Newman and the late Wyndol Newman of Elba, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Lunsford of Enterprise. She is the great-granddaughter of Ms. Blonell Danford of New Brockton.

The bridegroom is the son of Ms. Nancy Howard and Mr. Ronald Gibes of Enterprise. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Anderson and Mr. Carl Gibes and the late Hilda Gibes of Enterprise.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. She carried a bouquet of Virginia roses wrapped in ivory satin ribbon.

The bride wore an ivory off the shoulder gown. The bodice and cathedral train were accented with pearls and crystals. The bride wore an ivory veil created by her grandmother.

A program of wedding music was presented by vocalists Melanie Matthews of Highland Home; Jason and Audrey Windham of Damascus; and pianist Carol Windham of Elba. Matron of honor was Anna Marie Horne of Pensacola, FL. Bridesmaids were Lori Kirkland of Dothan; Michelle Knott of Tuscaloosa; Ashley Maples of Leesburg, GA; Mary Elizabeth Pittman of Enterprise; Laura Alise Wood of Clearwater, FL; and Alison

Wright of Jackson, MS. They wore floor-length dresses of gold satin accented with ivory satin sashes. They carried hand bouquets of leonidas roses.

Taylor Flowers of Dothan and Lane Danford, cousins of the bride, served as flower girl and ring bearer.

Best men were Joey Locklar and Rusty Locklar of Enterprise, brothers of the groom.

Groomsmen were Tony Badger, Rob Brabham, Nick Hall, Kris Speigner, Josh Stewart, all of Enterprise; Chase Delong of Coco Beach, FL; and Hunter Hargrave of Elba. Junior groomsmen were Reid Danford of Damascus, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was Sonya Dean of Enterprise.

Following the ceremony the bride's parents entertained at a reception at Aviators' Landing at Fort Rucker.

An after rehearsal dinner hosted by the groom's parents was held Friday, November 2, at The Gatherings in New Brockton.

The couple enjoyed a honeymoon at Sandals Halcayon in St. Lucia, West Indies. They now reside in Enterprise.

Pre-Nuptial Parties
In May an engagement party was held at the home of the bride's parents, Ken and Rhonda Lunsford.

In August a miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Sandra Danford, aunt of the bride.

In September a bridal shower was held at Damascus Baptist Church.

In October a lingerie shower was held at the bride's family beach house in Panama City Beach, FL.

Huntingdon Adult Classes in Enterprise announce registration

Spring term registration has begun for Huntingdon College's School of Business and Professional Studies (SBPS) accelerated degree completion program offered on the campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College in Enterprise. Classes will begin the week of January 14. SBPS classes lead toward a Bachelor of Science in Business Management. Classes are held one night a week in five-week sessions.

The program is open to adults who have earned at least 30 transferable college credit hours from accredited institutions and who wish to complete their undergraduate degrees. To be considered for admission to the program, interested prospective students may apply for admission online or by mail and submit official transcripts from all colleges previously attended. Financial aid is available. More information is available online at www.huntingdon.edu/sbps or by calling EOCC site coordinator Larry Hicks at (334) 347-2623, extension 2256. Registration is ongoing up to three days prior to the beginning of classes.

Huntingdon College, grounded in the Judeo-Christian tradition of the United Methodist Church, is committed to nurturing growth in faith, wisdom, and service and to graduating individuals prepared to succeed in a rapidly changing world. Founded in 1854, Huntingdon is a coeducational liberal arts college. The College motto is "Enter to grow in wisdom, go forth to apply wisdom in service."

Cosmetologist SEU Seminar to be held at LBWCC-MacArthur

LBW Community College - MacArthur Campus will offer an Instructor and Master Cosmetologist Seminar on Sunday, February 3, 2008 and Monday, February 4, 2008. This seminar has been approved by the Alabama Board of Cosmetology for 16 contact hours of continuing education credit. Successful completion of this two-day seminar qualifies participants for 2008 renewal.

This seminar is designed for those people who are currently Instructor or Master Cosmetologists who need continuing education hours for license renewal or any licensed cosmetologist with one year experience who wishes to become a Master Cosmetologist.

Topics to be covered during the seminar include: Haircutting, Financial Planning, Detoxifying Pedicure, Body Treatments, Haircolor, State Board Update, Stress Management, and Waxing.

Advance registration is requested. There will be a \$150.00 fee for the seminar which includes all course materials, seminar, breaks, lunches, and certificate of completion.

After January 25, 2008, registration fee will be \$175.00. For more information or to register, contact Cindy Green on the MacArthur Campus at (334) 493-5344 or cgreen@lbwcc.edu

Tri County Valentine Beauty Pageant set for February 9th

The 2008 Tri County Valentine Beauty Pageant will be held on Saturday, February 9th at the Elba High School auditorium at 6 p.m. Registration and practice will be held on Friday, February 8th at 6 p.m. at the auditorium.

For more information, contact Starla Amison at 897-8301 or Ray Kyle at 897-5851. This event is being sponsored by the members of the Elba Masonic Lodge #170.

Computers for Seniors being offered at Enterprise-Ozark Community College

The Enterprise Campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College will be offering a beginning computer class for individuals with limited computer experience. Students will be introduced to the Internet and how to set up a free e-mail account, will be introduced to the computer keyboard, taught basic computer terminology, and will get hands on experience with the Microsoft Word software package.

At the conclusion of this four session course, students should

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

The Elba Church of God to hold special service on Sunday, January 27th

The Elba Church of God will hold a special service on Sunday, January 27, 2008 at 11 a.m. Expectation, a family ministry from Hemingway, S.C. will be ministering in song and in

preaching. Margie and Roger Springs, of the group Expectation, have given their lives to ministry and all are invited to enjoy the event.

Conversational Spanish Course offered at EOCC

The Enterprise Campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College will be offering a CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH course for people with little or no experience with Spanish. Emphasis will be on speaking and listening skills, and at the conclusion of the class students should be able to participate in simple conversation with Spanish speakers here or abroad. Monday nights for six weeks beginning Feb. 4, from 6 until 8 p.m. The cost for the course is \$45. For more information, call 347-2623, ext 2336.

Wiregrass Food Bank holding fund-raiser Feb. 8th

The eighth annual Frank Martin Jr. Red Beans and Rice Luncheon will be Feb. 8 at First United Methodist Church in Dothan. The Wiregrass Chapter of the Association of Culinary Professionals will prepare the annual "poor man's feast." Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and all proceeds will benefit the Wiregrass Area United Way Food Bank. No reservations are necessary. There is a charge - Eat at the church to enjoy live entertainment or call ahead for take-out orders. Local delivery is free for orders of 10 or more plates. For tickets, orders, and information, call the Food Bank at 334-794-9775.

C.C. Water & Soil Conservation accepting Applications

The Coffee County Soil & Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for a \$500.00 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen, high-school senior, and living in the State of Alabama. Applications are available at all high school guidance counselor offices or may be picked up at the Coffee County SWCD Office in New Brockton, Ala. Phone 334-894-5581, Ext. 3. Deadline to receive completed applications in the district office is March 7, 2008.

Round & About With Eria

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SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:1-16

THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU: Johnnie Ruth Belcher, Betty Barks, Rev. Henry Ewing, Otis Johnson, Ernestine Kelley, The Caldwell and Brooks families, Randolph Caldwell, Betty Newton

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. - January 15 (In Memory Of) - Faye Manning - January 22, Toney Daniels - January 22, Dimitri Wright - January 22, Dimitri (Schookie) Crittenden - January 26, Kikko Logan - January 26

The Annual - Usher's Anniversary of the Friendship Baptist Church, Glenwood, Alabama, will be held Sunday, January 27, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. The theme will be Psalms 84:10. The guest speaker will be Rev. Jonas Rogers, pastor of Goshen First Baptist Church

Elba, Nia's brother, De'Nard Brooks is a junior at Alabama State University, Montgomery, majoring in mathematics. Nia attends the Everlasting Life Church (Non-denominational) while in Tallahassee. Her grandparents are Eria Lindsey Belcher, Elba, the late Grover Belcher, Elba, and the late Ella Mae Brooks, Enterprise, Ala.

God Bless You, Nia. Today is a good day! Be grateful.



Ree'Nita Brooks

Ree'Nita Brooks comes home to attend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. events

Ree'Nita N. "Nia" Brooks, a graduate of Enterprise High School, Enterprise, Ala. is the 18 year old daughter of Juanita and Wiley Brooks of Enterprise. She attends Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University in Tallahassee, Fla. and is an English Major. This is her freshman year and she is enjoying the school. Nia wanted to come home and attend the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. events. During her high school years in Enterprise, Nia was a part of the FBLA, Anchor Club and the EHS Women's Choir. She is a member of Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church.

The Vienna Boys Choir to be in concert in Dothan, February 4th

Music South will present the Vienna Boys Choir in concert Dothan, Feb. 4, at the Dothan Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. The well-known choir has been entertaining audiences for more than 500 years. There are about 100 choristers between the ages of 10 and 14, divided into four touring groups. Each group tours for about 9 to 11 weeks per year to music lovers worldwide. Tickets are available at the Civic Center Box Office. All seats are reserved; large groups will be seated in the balcony. For more information, call 334-615-3175.

Attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

Church Directory

<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN Rev. Hubert McWaters Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH Rev. Samson, Pastor Morn. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dale Morgan, Minister Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training - 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Bernard Strickland, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Philip Ross, Minister Bible Study - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Ron Stallard, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Evening Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHET Rev. David Tadlock Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 14 ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor Rev. Billy Reid Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 14 BAPTIST CHURCH Travis Johnson, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Levell Martin, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Andy Muller, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON 14 BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Training Univ. - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service - 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD CHURCH Dorothy Smith, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW BROTHERHOOD METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert Smith, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Nathaniel Fleming, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>PRAYER & GLORY WORSHIP CEN. Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHADY GROVE AME Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Rev. Earl Smith Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH Pastor Rev. Roy L. Turner Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. 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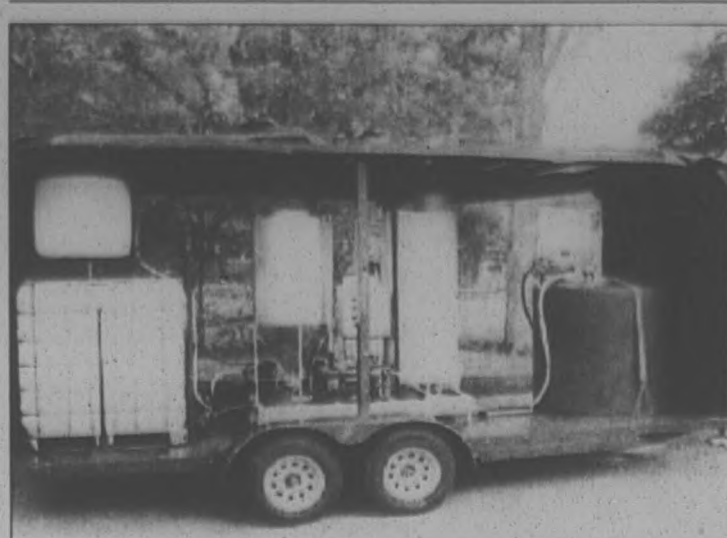
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What's the latest in agriculture technology? You'll need to attend this year's Alabama-Florida Peanut Trade Show, Thursday, February 7, 2008 at the National Peanut Festival Fairgrounds in Dothan, AL. to get a glimpse of just what may be down the road for peanut producers.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. - central time and exhibitors will open their booths at the same time to welcome in the attendees to the 2008 show. In addition to inside and outside agriculture exhibits, there will be various equipment demonstrations. One special demonstration will feature a "Biodiesel Classroom on Wheels." The "Classroom" is made possible by a collaborative partnership between Alabama A&M University and the Alabama Department of Agriculture's Center for Alternative Fuels. Built by Biodiesel Logic - out of Albertville, AL - the "Classroom" provides an in-depth look at how biodiesel fuel may be produced and informs public officials, business leaders, and citizens across the state about the ease of the process. Other equipment demonstrations include a tractor powered by biodiesel and a furrow diking implement from the National Peanut Research Laboratory.

"There is a lot going on in the agriculture and the peanut industries and this trade show will give growers, and others involved in the industry, a chance to come together to discuss what could be down the road as well as agriculture," said Randy Griggs, executive director of the Alabama Peanut Producers Association. "We strongly encourage growers in

Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and Mississippi to come be a part of this trade show."

This year will mark the third year of the trade show that is coordinated by the Alabama and Florida Peanut Producer Associations.

Lunch will be provided to those who attend and growers can register for great door prizes, from the many exhibitors including \$500 cash from Kelley Manufacturing Company, a certificate from Amadas Industries for one of the following: \$10,000 credit on a self-propelled combine, \$5,000 credit on a pull-type combine or \$2,000 on other Amadas equipment. Stoeger Automatic Shotgun from the Southeastern Peanut Farmer Magazine; 3 nights free lodging for the 2008 Southern Peanut Growers Conference - Edgewater Beach Resort - Panama City Beach, FL; and several other prizes.

"On behalf of both APPA and FPPA, I'd like to welcome all growers and industry interests to the trade show that will feature numerous exhibitors there to assist growers," Griggs said.

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SPORTS

Views from....

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The cold weather last week caused different emotions for the Mularz family as the girls went out and bought new jackets and wanted it to snow, while Mom turned up the heater and I pulled out some old sweats and did my best to stay inside. I'll admit a little snow would have been nice, but maybe next time it will come our way and just leave us with a little covering of dust to make things pretty.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The Elba Tigers slipped to 0-4 in area play and 9-10 overall last week as their losing streak reached five games with lopsided road losses to Calhoun and Pike County. The Tigers were on a roll entering area play and had high hopes of bringing home the title, but had a few off-the-court problems that disrupted the chemistry of the team and last week lost two area games by a combined total of 68 points. Elba still has time to regroup and be a force in the area tournament. However, it will take more than just practice and hard work to get the job done. It will take a rededication to the program and pride!

*** The Elba Lady Tigers slipped to 7-9, 1-3 in area play, last week with two tough road losses to Calhoun and Pike County. The Lady Tigers were simply outmatched in their loss to Calhoun, but had defeated Pike County only last week and needed a road win over the Lady Bulldogs to avoid meeting up with Calhoun again in the opening round of the area tournament. Now the Lady Tigers have to hope the coin falls their way in a tie-breaker if they have any hopes of moving on to sub-region play.

*** The high school basketball season is heading down the home stretch and it was a wild week in the area as upsets and high scoring games made the headlines. The Kinston Bulldogs clinched the area championship with a wild 103-80 win over Arton and all of the sudden appear ready to make a run, while the Brantley Bulldogs dropped back-to-back area games and may very well have to pack their bags come tournament time. Up at Jack, the Zion Chapel Rebels are still looking for that elusive first win, while over at New Brockton the Gamecocks improved their post-season hopes with a key win over Samson. On the girls' side, the Brantley Lady Bulldogs continued to roll along and all but wrapped up the area crown with a key win over highly ranked Pleasant Home, while Kinston, Zion Chapel and New Brockton are all looking forward to the area tournament and a chance to start over again after a long disappointing season.

*** The high school baseball and softball seasons are getting closer and at Elba High both teams will play on improved fields when the season kicks off in just a few weeks. Both fields have been reworked using a fine crushed brick to create a smooth, level surface, while the irrigation system on both fields has also been reworked and the chain link backstops on both fields have been removed and replaced with block walls and netting. The dugouts on the softball field have been blocked in to match the baseball dugouts, and other improvements are also on the drawing board. After the work is completed on the field the baseball and softball players at Elba High will have facilities second to none.

*** In closing.... The youth basketball season is going full blast at the Elba Rec Center and I urge all basketball fans to come out and watch the youngsters in action. They may not follow all the rules, but I assure you the excitement is non-stop.

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For Tigers and Lady Tigers

Area losses continue to pile up

The Elba Tigers continued their struggles against area opponents last Tuesday night as they were defeated by the Calhoun Tigers 89-51. Gavin Respress scored 16 points to lead Elba, while Robert McCall scored 16 points to lead Calhoun and Kelton Garrett added 14.

Tigers ripped by Bulldogs 69-39

The Elba Tigers saw their losing streak reach five games Friday night with a 69-39 loss to the Pike County Bulldogs. The Tigers had dropped a narrow 57-53 overtime loss to the Bulldogs last week, but Friday night hardly put up a fight as Pike County handed Elba the lopsided loss. Gavin Respress scored 7 points and Jason Mitchell added 6 to

lead Elba, while Tevin Andrews scored 14 points and pulled down 6 rebounds to lead the Bulldogs.

The Elba Lady Tigers also suffered a road loss as they lost to Pike County 31-28. Tierra Hall and Jacquetta Hughes both scored 10 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs.

High School BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Friday, January 25

Calhoun vs. Elba (JV-VG-VB) 5:00
Kinston at Opp (JV-VG-VB) 4:30
New Brockton at Arton (JV-VG-VB) 4:30

Monday, January 28

Elba at Luverne (JV-VG-VB) 4:30
Samson at Zion Chapel (JV-VG-VB) 4:30

Tuesday, January 29

Geneva County at Elba (JV-VG-VB) 4:30
Kinston at Houston Academy (JV-VG-VB) 4:30
Opp at New Brockton (JV-VG-VB) 4:30

Thursday, January 31

Samson at Kinston (JV-VG-VB) 5:00
G.W. Long at Zion Chapel (JV-VG-VB) 4:30

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Let's Go...

Outdoors with Ben

by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist



Hunting Deer From The Ground

Most serious deer hunters in Alabama hunt deer from an elevated stand. But that doesn't mean one is wasting his time by hunting whitetails from a ground stand or by still hunting. It is common to hear still-hunting and stand hunting described as the same, but there is a difference. Still-hunting is the art of moving ever so quietly and slowly through the woods, stopping often to look and listen for game movement. Stand hunting is just what the name implies, taking a stand and hunting from it. A stand may be an elevated platform, or simply sitting on the ground and leaning back against a tree.

When we look at hunting methods used in the western states, we find hunters harvest more game while hunting from the ground than they do in elevated stands. One advantage western hunters have over us southerners is the distance involved. Out west it is not uncommon for hunters to have to shoot at game 300 yards away. While this might put a strain on one's marksmanship, game is much less likely to smell or see a hunter at this range.

In Alabama and other southern states, the typical shot at a whitetail is less than 100 yards.

Anytime we are on the ground and within 100 yards of deer, the chances are greater they will smell, see, or hear us before we detect them. Ground hunters must take even more precautions than their tree sitting buddies if they are to connect. Eliminating body odor, checking wind direction, and blending in with the natural foliage is even more critical when hunting from the ground.

For those of us who don't have the patience to sit in a tree all day, still-hunting is a pleasant change of pace. I often sit in a tree stand until I began to get stiff and want to move around. I'll then spend an hour or two slowly creeping through the woods, pausing for several minutes at good spots.

A quality pair of binoculars is almost a necessity when still-hunting. How many times have you spotted that clump of broom sage or distant stump that looked like it had antlers until you put the glasses on it? Still hunters and stand hunters on the ground should scan the area looking for horizontal lines that seem out of place in the otherwise vertical woods. Often all one needs to zero in on a trophy is that give away twitch of an ear or a tail.

Clothing should be selected with care also. Nylon or other fabrics that make a "swishing" noise when rubbed together should be avoided while still-hunting. Cotton, wool, and fleece are better choices.

Hunters who have a disability or just simply don't want to sit on a limb with the squirrels and birds need not pass up a deer hunting invitation. I know several hunters who never climb a tree, but they get their deer most every year.

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Elba Lady Tiger Janae Carnley dribbles upcourt in recent area play against Pike County. The Lady Tigers will close out area play this week against Straughn and Calhoun.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

February 1 is deadline to apply for restocking pond

Owners of newly constructed or recently renovated ponds without wild fish present may apply now to stock their ponds with largemouth bass and bream (bluegill and shellcracker). The Fisheries Section of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries Division will stock ponds that contain no fish and are larger than 1/4 surface acre (1/2 surface acre if pond is not to be fertilized). Stan Cook, Chief of Fisheries, advises pond owners to request their fish application early and return the application before the February 1, 2008 deadline.

To capture the cost of the program, the stocking fees for a one-acre pond with both bass and bream are \$140 and \$70 stocked with bass only. The fee structure is a minimum of \$70 for ponds 1/2 acre or smaller, plus incremental adjustments of \$35 for each additional 1/4 surface acre for ponds five surface acres or smaller. For ponds larger than 5 surface acres, the fee is \$140 per acre. Ponds stocked with bass only cost 1/2 of the full stocking fee.

To request more information and an application form, contact the District Fisheries Office serving your county. Remember, all applications must be received at the District Office listed below by the February 1 deadline each stocking season.

Fisheries District VI: (Barbour, Butler, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston and Pike counties) 3520 Plaza Dr., Enterprise, AL 36330; 334-347-9467; michael.holley@dcnr.alabama.gov.

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SPORTS

High School ROUNDBALL ROUNDUP

Zion Chapel Rebels ambushed by Providence 54-21

The Zion Chapel Rebels continued their long losing drought last Monday night with a 54-21 loss to the Providence Christian Eagles. Johnny Dowd scored 18 points to lead the Eagles, while Keith Granger added 7 points and 8 assists and Jake Nobles scored 7 points and grabbed 4 rebounds.

New Brockton Gamecocks claw Samson 62-51

The New Brockton Gamecocks evened their record at 10-10 last Tuesday night by rolling to a big 62-51 win over the Samson Tigers. Shambray Johnson scored 18 points to lead the Gamecocks, while Courtney Foster added 11, and Justin Flowers scored 10. Simon Diaz scored 18 points to lead Samson.

Lady Gamecocks pounded by Samson 88-27

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks never had a chance last Tuesday night in an 88-27 loss to the highly ranked Samson Lady Tigers. Trianna Reeves scored 20 points to lead Samson, while Kala Bess added 14.

Brantley Bulldogs upset by Pleasant Home 65-61

The Brantley Bulldogs saw their winning streak derailed last Tuesday night in a 65-61 upset loss to the Pleasant Home Eagles. Josh Dozier scored 25 points to lead the Eagles to the key area win.

Brantley Lady Bulldogs pop Pleasant Home 48-40

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs and Pleasant Home Lady Eagles met last Tuesday night in a battle of top ten teams and at the final buzzer it was the Lady Bulldogs that had claimed the 48-40 win. Taronda Randall scored 18 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead Brantley, while Sherry Guley added 18 points. Erin Byrd scored 18 points to lead Pleasant Home.

Zion Chapel ripped by Pleasant Home Eagles 62-16

The Zion Chapel Rebels struggled on both ends of the court Thursday night in a 62-16 loss to the Pleasant Home Eagles. Josh Dozier scored 19 points and Ethan King added 12 to lead the Eagles.

Zion Chapel Lady Rebels tripped up 54-23

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels continued their late-season struggles Thursday night with a 54-23 loss to the Pleasant Home Lady Eagles. Erin Byrd scored 15 points and Brittany Ward added 10 to lead Pleasant Home.

New Brockton falls to Barbour County 78-44

The New Brockton Gamecocks were simply outmanned Friday night in a 78-44 loss to the (20-3) Barbour County Jaguars. Devondrick Richardson scored 21 points to lead the Jaguars, while Terrance Blakely added 13.

Lady Gamecocks ripped by Lady Jaguars 62-10

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks fell behind early and never challenged Friday night in a lopsided 62-10 loss to Barbour County. Nicole Brooks scored 19 points and Jelissa Whigham added 12 to lead the Lady Jaguars.

Kinston Bulldogs outscore Arton Purple Cats 103-80

The Kinston Bulldogs clinched the area championship Friday night with a big 103-80 win over the Arton Purple Cats. Matt Whigham scored 32 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Hunter Anderson added 25 and Tim Donaldson scored 19. Robert Leggett



Brantley Lady Bulldogs Eisha Person (5) and Taronda Randall (32) and Shakelia Salter battle inside for a rebound in recent high school basketball action. The Lady Bulldogs upped their record to 22-1 last week with wins over Pleasant Home and Florala.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

scored 30 points to lead the Purple Cats, while James Edmonds added 20 and Cole Harden scored 15.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs fall to Arton 41-39

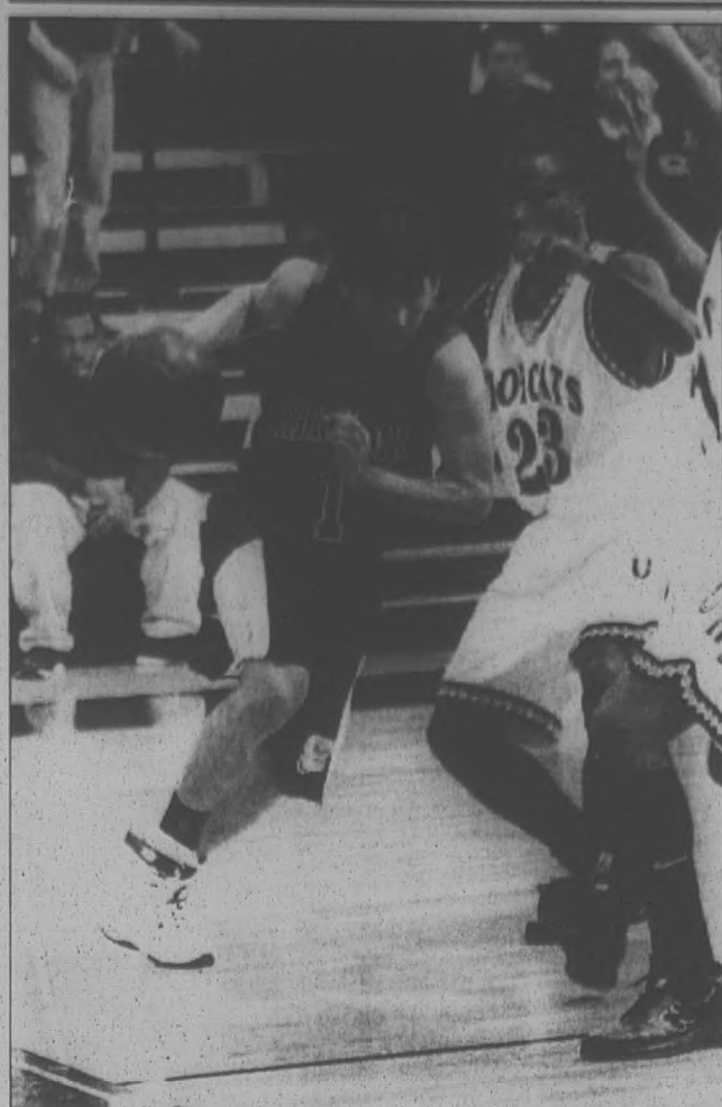
The Kinston Lady Bulldogs saw a last second shot fall off the rim Friday night in a 41-39 loss to the Arton Lady Cats. Deanna Manning scored 13 points and grabbed 19 rebounds to lead Kinston, while Christie Whigham added 12 points. Cierra McLendon scored 15 points and Kayla Liprot added 10 to lead Arton.

Brantley Bulldogs stunned by Florala Wildcats 63-49

The Brantley Bulldogs lost for the second time in a week Friday night as they were clowned by the Florala Wildcats 63-49. Dexter Daniels scored 23 points and Devonte Porter added 13 to lead the Bulldogs, while Michael Carson scored 19 points to lead the Wildcats.

Brantley Lady Bulldogs flatten Florala 61-37

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs improved their record to 22-1 Friday night with a big 61-37 win over the Florala Wildcats. Taronda Randall scored 21 points and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead Brantley, while Sherry Guley added 14.



Kinston Bulldog Matt Whigham (1) drives past a defender in recent high school basketball action. Whigham scored 32 points last week to lead the Bulldogs to a 103-80 win over Arton that gave Kinston the 2008 area championship.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

Obituaries

(Continued from Page 3)

BETTY BROWN MOORE

Ms. Betty Brown Moore died Saturday, Jan. 19, 2008, in Adamsville, Ala. after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2008, at 2 p.m. at Wyatt Funeral Home in Opp, Ala. with David Richburg officiating. Burial followed at the Bobbie Baptist Cemetery with Wyatt Funeral Home directing.

Her parents, Wayne Golden and Sallie B. Marler, preceded her in death.

Survivors include five daughters: Debbie Huggins and Teresa Reeves, both of Elba; Janet Grant, Glenwood, Ala.; Cindy Lacey, Pace, Fla.; Misty Harris, Adamsville, Ala.; one son: Doug Croft, Opp, Ala.; two sisters: Peggy Boutwell, Elba; June Rosenbaum; 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

JAMES ALBERT FLEMING SR.

Mr. James Albert Fleming Sr., age 80, died Saturday, Jan. 12, 2008.

Funeral services were held Jan. 19, 2008 at St. Beulah Missionary Baptist Church in Enterprise, Ala. with Rev. Mack E. Page Sr. officiating. Burial followed at St. Beulah Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Mr. Fleming was preceded in death by his father, V.C. Fleming; his sister, Annie Pearl Kelly; and a son, Christopher Fleming.

Survivors include his wife: Annie Cecil Fleming; his children: James A. Fleming Jr. (Tammy), Angela Fleming Seals (Samuel), Kummel Fleming (Pam) and Chana Austin; his mother: Sarah Donald; his sister: Martha Hill (Howard); nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Riley awards \$7.4 million to assist low-income families with heating bills

Gov. Bob Riley has awarded \$7.4 million in grants to assist low-income families in Alabama with energy bills. The grants will be issued to 22 Community Action Agencies throughout the state and awarded to low-income families based on need. Funds will be used to help families heat their houses this winter.

"This grant helps assure low-income families and individuals, including the elderly and families with small children, that they will be able to keep their homes warm this winter," Riley said.

The grant is being made available through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program and is aimed at helping eligible low-income households afford to the energy required to heat their houses. Applications for assistance are being taken at local Community Action Agencies.

Listed below are the two Community Action Agencies in this area which were awarded grants, areas served and the amount of the grants:

• **Organized Community Action Program Inc.** (Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Henry, Houston, Pike, Geneva, Lowndes and Coffee) - \$418,601.

• **Human Resources Development Corp.** (Barbour, Coffee, Geneva, Henry and Houston) - \$345,693.

Riley awarded the grants from funds provided to the state by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants.

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SCHOOLS

Student Spotlight

by Kim Blue



This week's student spotlight reveals **Brooke Weeks**. Brooke is the 13-year-old daughter of Gary and Tab Weeks. Her hobbies include the following: hunting, riding four-wheelers, swimming, shopping, cooking, watching Alabama football, playing in the Elba High School band and teaching a children's class at church.

After graduation Brooke plans to attend the University of Alabama and be a member of the "Million Dollar Band," while majoring in hotel management and hospitality with a minor in math.



Tiger Tales

Editors: Erica Daniels & Kelly Corder

"Math-A-Thon" event planned in Elba to raise funds for research

The Elba community can help save lives by sponsoring students in grades 4-6 in the St. Jude Math-A-Thon to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The event is sponsored by Elba Elementary School and will be held January 22-February 6. By sponsoring participants of the event, local people will help raise funds for the world's premier pediatric cancer research center. These funds will help St. Jude in its ongoing fight against childhood catastrophic diseases.

"Our goal in holding this event is to help the children of the world who are stricken with diseases like cancer, AIDS, sickle cell disease and other catastrophic illnesses," said Shirlon Dye coordinator of the event. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is internationally recognized for its pioneering work in finding cures and saving children with cancer and other catastrophic diseases. Founded by the late entertainer Danny Thomas, and based in Memphis, Tenn., St. Jude freely shares its discoveries with scientific and medical communities around the world.

No family ever pays for treatments not covered by insurance, and families without insurance are never asked to pay. St. Jude is financially supported by ALSAC, its fundraising organization, through events such as

EES enjoys evening of pancakes and pajamas

Submitted by Millie McCollough Edited by Kelly Corder

On Monday, Jan. 14, more than 100 parents, students and staff of Elba Elementary School joined for an evening of Pancakes and Pajamas.

Those in attendance wore their "jammies" and enjoyed read-alouds presented by parent volunteers. Each hallway of the elementary school was the setting for a different story that was presented.

Families then went into the school cafeteria for a pancake supper. Everybody who attended Pancakes and PJs had a blast!

Announcements:

• January 25 Elba vs. Calhoun (Home)
• January 28 Elba vs. Luverne (Away)
• January 29 Elba vs. Geneva County (Home)

• All girls in Miss Elbala Pageant needs to get all forms in immediately
• Miss Elbala Pageant practice for all girls will be January 24 at 5:30

• Miss Elbala Pageant will be January 26 at 6:00
• Grad Ad's are on sale! Prices are as follows: \$50 for 1/8 page black and white, \$55 color; \$90 for 1/4 page black and white, \$100 color; \$110 for 1/2 page black and white, \$125 color; \$160 for full page black and white, \$180 color. Ads will remain on sale through February. This will be the final deadline.

Yearbooks are available for pick up and extras are on sale for \$45. Contact the journalism staff at EHS for more information. Extras will remain on sale. (897-2266)

• Elba Hoodies and T-shirts are in and extras are available. Long-sleeve T-shirts are \$12 color, \$13 and hoodies are \$20, \$21 and \$22. Contact the journalism staff. (897-2266)



Among those enjoying the "Pancakes and Pajamas" event were Chance Johnson with his mom, Kerry, and Mone' and Travia Martin with their mom, Loretta.



by April Price

This week's journalism spotlight shines on Brittany Kristen Davis.

Brittany is the 17-year-old daughter of Brett and Karen Davis and Trish Hobbs. Her grandparents are Robert and Barbara Davis, Jim and Jimmie Rhoades and Bobbie Sue Thomas.

Brittany's favorite thing about Journalism is coming up with ideas and decorating. She loves to hang out with her friends and family and spend time with her boyfriend, Wesley Hunko.

Brittany is a bubbly ball of energy. After graduation, she



Brittany Davis

plans to attend Troy University and then transfer to Auburn University to pursue a medical career.

Elba's B-team outscored Calhoun

by Brittany Davis

On Tuesday, Jan. 15, the Elba Tigers traveled to Calhoun Tiger country to face the Calhoun Tigers.

In the first game, the Elba B-team boys prevailed 42-41. The

high scorer for the B-team on Tuesday night was Jabari Cole (#10) for the Tigers. Jabari scored a total of 11 points for the B-team leading them to the one point victory.

In the second game, Calhoun defeated the Elba Lady Tigers, 68-26. The high scorer for the Elba Lady Tigers was LeAnna Henderson (#12) with a total of six points. The Lady Tigers put in a good effort, but just did not excel.

In the third and final game of the night, the Elba Tigers fell to the Calhoun Tigers, 89-51. The varsity Tigers played an adequate game, but in the end fell to defeat. The high scorer for the varsity team was Gavin Respress (#4). Gavin scored a total of 16 points; however, this wasn't enough for an Elba Tiger victory.

EES holds honors day pep rally

by Maisie Thomas

On Friday, Jan. 11, Elba Elementary School held a pep rally/honor assembly recognizing the students for their excellent grades and leaderships.

The Elba High School Varsity Cheerleaders and the Tiger mascot "Elbie" went to the school

and pumped up the students with cheers and chants. Awards were given out to the students who had A's and/or B's and also excelled in extra curricular activities and displayed many leadership qualities.

Friends and family were all welcome to come and enjoy the program.

Elba Lady Tigers defeat Pike County Lady Bulldogs

by Erica Daniels

On Friday, Jan. 11, the Elba Tigers battled the Pike County Bulldogs in Tiger territory.

The Elba B-team started the first quarter off slowly with a score of 5 - Bulldogs 9. In the second half the Tigers added 10 points to the scoreboard that led the score to Tigers 15 - Bulldogs 19.

After returning to the court following halftime, the Tigers tied the score at 32 all. In the fourth quarter, the Tigers added 17 more points while the Bulldogs only added 14, and the Tigers came out with a victory. The final score was Elba 49, Pike County 46.

In the second game, the Elba Lady Tigers kicked off the first quarter with a score of 8 - Bulldogs 7. In the second quarter the Lady Tigers added 14 points to the scoreboard while the Bulldogs added only 2.

At halftime the Tigers went to the locker room with a score of 22 - Bulldogs 9. In the third quarter the Lady Tigers continued to lead with a score of 27 - Bulldogs 21. The Lady Tigers came out with a victory and a score of 46-32.

The Elba Varsity boys started off with a struggle in the first quarter of the game with a score of 3 - Bulldogs 15. The

Tigers were only able to score 11 extra points in the second quarter that led to a score of 14 - Bulldogs 23.

The Tigers returned after halftime scoring 19 points to move the score to 33-37. At the end of

the fourth quarter, the Tigers tied it up to take the game to overtime.

The energy level was very high; however, the Tigers lost by a score of 55 - Bulldogs 57.



Elba's varsity boys lost to Pike County in overtime

SCHOOLS

Focus on Faculty (Kindergarten Teachers)

by Kayla Crook and Stephanie Berry



Angie Dillard

When is your birthday? 2/27/79

How long have you been teaching? This is my 7th year.

What do you think about Zion Chapel? I am a Rebel born and raised. Zion Chapel is home to me and my family, and I am very blessed to be teaching here.

What is your favorite thing about teaching? The kids and teaching them to read and write.

What are your hobbies? Auburn football, reading and I love to watch movies.

What clubs/organizations are you involved in? Delta Kappa Gamma and I attend Wise Mill Church.

What is your most embarrassing moment? Why would I tell it its embarrassing!!

What colleges did you attend? Troy State

Auburn or Alabama? War Eagle!!

Anything else interesting or unique that you'd like to share? I won the 1998 Dixie Ponytail Softball World Series in Perry, Georgia. While in high school at G.W. Long, our softball team won the 2000 IA State softball Championship. I have a chocolate lab named Tucker, and a dachshund named Boogie.

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How long have you been teaching? This is my first year, and this is my first teaching job.

What do you think about Zion Chapel? I really like ZC. The people are so friendly, and everyone makes you feel so welcome.

What is your favorite thing about teaching? I love working with kids, so just teaching in general.

What are your hobbies? Cooking, being outdoors, hunting, shopping, sports.

What clubs/organizations are you involved in? Auburn Alumni Association.

What is your biggest achievement? Graduating Magna Cum Laude from Auburn University.

Do you have any children? If so, how many? I have one son named Bowen who is seven months old.

What colleges did you attend? Auburn University

Auburn or Alabama? Auburn!!

Anything else interesting or unique that you'd like to share? I won the 1998 Dixie Ponytail Softball World Series in Perry, Georgia. While in high school at G.W. Long, our softball team won the 2000 IA State softball Championship. I have a chocolate lab named Tucker, and a dachshund named Boogie.

What is your biggest achievement? Having a close

relationship with my husband and two daughters (not many people have that anymore).

Do you have any children? If so, how many? I have two daughters, Amber -17 yrs. old, Madison -11 yrs. old.

What college(s) did you attend? Troy University

Auburn or Alabama? Auburn!! War eagle!!!

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